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Power Finance Corporation

Reforms remain key, valuations inexpensive; Buy

Rating: **Buy**

Target Price: ₹249

Share Price: ₹203

We recently met the management of Power Finance Corp. (PFC) to understand its outlook on infra financing against the backdrop of proposed SEB reforms. Following are the key takeaways:

Sector outlook to improve. Key issues affecting the power sector have been constrained fuel supply and precarious financial health of SEBs. Excluding transitional finance to SEBs, disbursement growth has remained subdued over the past two quarters. However, with the govt intent on implementing FRP and FSA, management expects improvement in investment cycle. This, in turn, will drive loan growth in the medium term.

NIM likely to remain stable. While reported NIM perked up to 4.6% in Dec'12 on account of improved cost of funds, management expects NIM to remain stable in the near term. Focus will remain on further diversifying the liability mix by increasing proportion of tax-free bonds and foreign currency borrowings in the overall borrowing mix.

Risks to asset quality persist. While asset quality is healthy at present and a likely FRP for SEB eases the risk of higher delinquencies, stress could set in if subdued environment prevails, according to the management

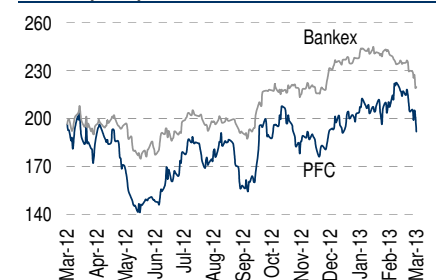
Roadmap for tighter norms submitted. PFC has submitted a roadmap to RBI for aligning itself to the draft NPA recognition and capital adequacy norms for NBFCs. It has already started to provide for standard asset provisioning from the September quarter and is comfortable with respect to the proposed higher Tier 1 CRAR of 10%.

Our take. We believe risk-reward favors PFC at current valuations of 1.0x FY14 BV. We re-iterate Buy. At our Mar'14 target, the stock would trade at PBV of 1.2x FY14e and 1.0x FY15e. Our target is based on two-stage DDM (CoE: 14.6%; beta: 0.9; Rf: 8%). **Risks.** Slowdown in the power sector and regulatory hurdles.

Key data	POWF IN / PWFC.BO
52-week high / low	₹228 / ₹139
Sensex / Nifty	19253 / 5813
3-m average volume	US\$11.5m
Market cap	₹269bn / US\$4.9bn
Shares outstanding	1320m

Shareholding pattern (%)	Dec-12	Sep-12	Jun-12
Promoters	73.7	73.7	73.7
- of which, Pledged	-	-	-
Free Float	26.3	26.3	26.3
- Foreign Institutions	11.0	10.2	9.8
- Domestic Institutions	8.8	9.4	9.5
- Public	6.5	6.6	7.0

Relative price performance



Source: Bloomberg

Key financials (YE Mar)	FY11	FY12	FY13e	FY14e	FY15e
Net interest income (₹m)	35,519	43,142	60,825	68,876	85,600
Net profit (₹m)	26,196	30,317	41,718	46,678	57,687
EPS (₹)	22.8	23.0	31.6	35.4	43.7
Growth (%)	11.1	0.6	37.6	11.9	23.6
PE (x)	8.9	8.8	6.4	5.7	4.6
PABV (x)	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.9
RoE (%)	18.3	16.8	18.7	18.3	19.6
RoA (%)	2.8	2.5	2.7	2.5	2.5
Dividend yield (%)	2.5	2.7	3.4	4.2	4.7
Net NPA (%)	0.2	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.6

Source: Company, Anand Rathi Research

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Quick Glance – Financials and Valuations

Fig 1 – Income statement (₹m)

Year-end: Mar	FY11	FY12	FY13e	FY14e	FY15e
Net interest income	35,519	43,142	60,825	68,876	85,600
NII growth (%)	26.9	21.5	41.0	13.2	24.3
Non-interest inc	1,217	614	650	1,220	1,516
Total income	36,736	43,756	61,475	70,096	87,116
Total Inc growth (%)	17.6	19.1	40.5	14.0	24.3
Op. expenses	977	1,285	1,562	1,967	2,294
Operating profit	35,759	42,470	59,912	68,129	84,822
Op profit growth (%)	18.7	18.8	41.1	13.7	24.5
Provisions	317	1,428	2,370	4,010	4,701
PBT	35,441	41,043	57,542	64,119	80,121
Tax	9,245	10,725	15,824	17,440	22,434
PAT	26,196	30,317	41,718	46,678	57,687
PAT growth (%)	11.1	15.7	37.6	11.9	23.6
FDEPS (₹/share)	22.8	23.0	31.6	35.4	43.7
DPS (₹/share)	5.0	5.5	7.0	8.5	9.5

Source: Company, Anand Rathi Research

Fig 2 – Balance sheet (₹m)

Year-end: Mar	FY11	FY12	FY13e	FY14e	FY15e
Share capital	11,478	13,199	13,199	13,199	13,199
Reserves & surplus	140,347	193,876	224,784	258,335	301,351
Borrowings	855,986	1,101,260	1,403,712	1,749,121	2,104,287
Current liab. & prov.	37,702	46,542	54,474	64,061	78,585
Deferred tax liabilities	830	874	874	874	1,676
Total liabilities	1,046,342	1,355,752	1,697,043	2,085,591	2,499,099
Advances	995,707	1,300,718	1,641,768	2,010,484	2,432,702
Investments	539	592	680	783	861
Cash & bank bal	23,503	19,882	23,490	40,237	29,832
Fixed & other assets	25,024	28,392	31,104	34,088	35,704
Total assets	1,044,772	1,349,584	1,697,043	2,085,591	2,499,099
No. of shares (m)	1,148	1,320	1,320	1,320	1,320
Borrowings growth (%)	27.6	28.7	27.5	24.6	20.3
Advances growth (%)	24.7	30.6	26.2	22.5	21.0

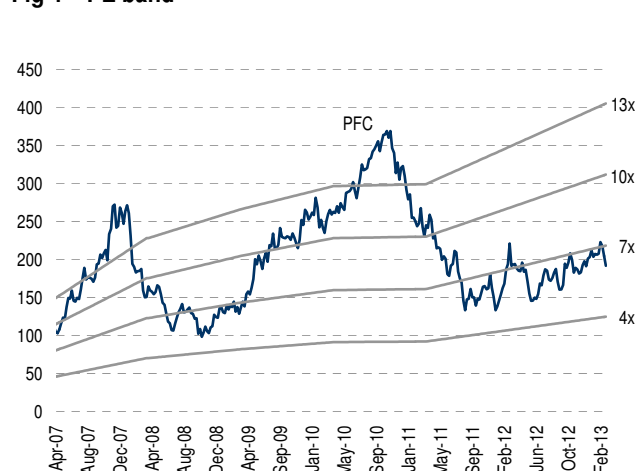
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Fig 3 – Key ratios

Year-end: Mar	FY11	FY12	FY13e	FY14e	FY15e
NIM (%)	3.9	3.9	4.1	3.7	3.8
Other inc / total inc (%)	3.3	1.4	1.1	1.7	1.7
Cost-income (%)	2.7	2.9	2.5	2.8	2.6
Provision coverage (%)	15.6	10.5	20.9	28.4	35.4
Dividend payout (%)	25.6	28.0	25.9	28.1	25.4
Credit-deposit (%)	86.0	84.7	85.5	87.0	86.5
Investment-deposit (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Gross NPA (%)	0.2	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9
Net NPA (%)	0.2	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.6
BV (₹)	133.0	157.5	181.0	206.4	239.6
Adj BV (₹)	131.9	151.6	174.9	199.9	232.4
CAR (%)	17.0	16.3	17.0	16.5	16.0
RoE (%)	18.3	16.8	18.7	18.3	19.6
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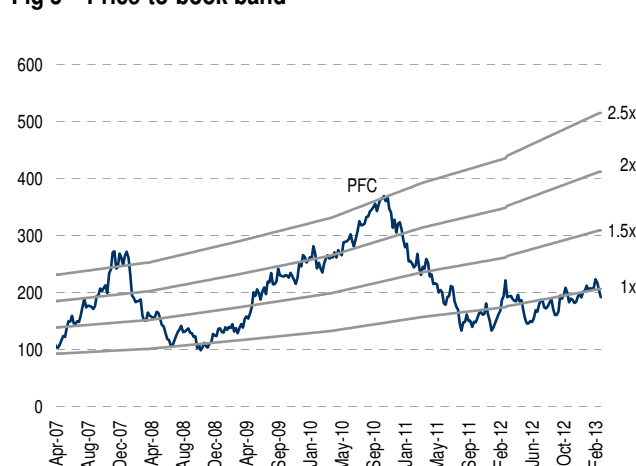
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Fig 4 – PE band



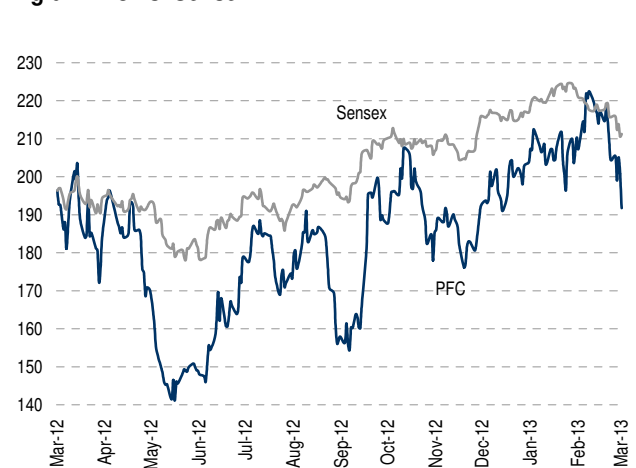
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Fig 5 – Price-to-book band



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Fig 6 – PFC vs. Sensex



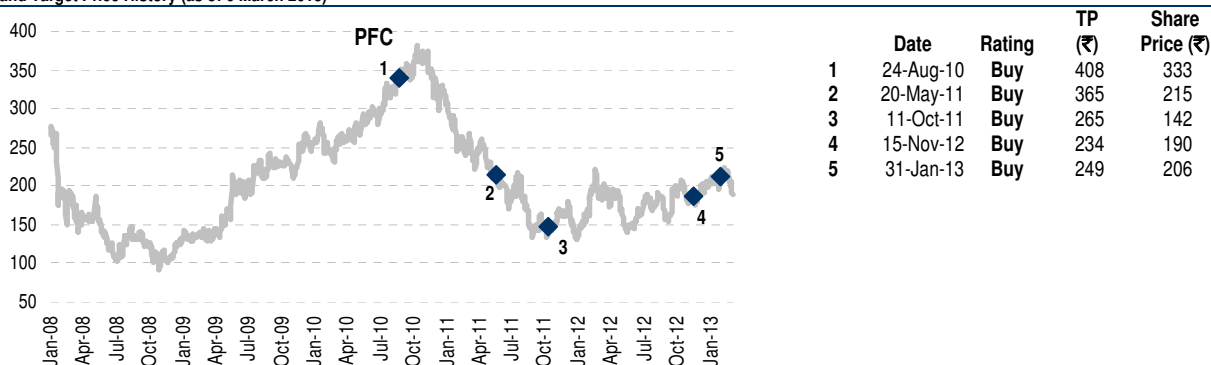
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